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APPARATUS FOR SEPARATING FLOATING AND NON-FLOATING

PARTICULATE IN A FLUID STREAM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants have received a first office action Notice of Allowance and hereby requests that the following amendments be made to the specification to place the application in final condition for issuance. Applicants respectfully suggest that no new matter has been added. Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.